

# Miami Children's Museum



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## Miami Children's Museum

### ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

Each year, Miami Children's Museum awards a locally known artist a residency in our Museum. The Artist works with the Museum's education staff to conduct an arts program centered on her or his medium and style. The program is comprised of 1) gallery sessions - private and drop-in sessions in the Artist-in-Residence studio; 2) after-school program instruction for the Time of Our Lives program for two days per week, integrated into the theme-based curriculum, 3) programs for visiting group tours, and 4) assistance to education staff in the development of theme-based curricula.

### SERVICE AREA

Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

State; Federal; National Endowment for the Arts

### FUNDING CYCLE

August 1- July 31

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$19,863	\$19,960	\$20,000	\$40
Number of Children Served	7,420	7,600	7,800	200



**Miami Children's Museum**

**CHILDREN'S FILM SCHOOL**

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For ten years, Miami Children's Museum provided a unique opportunity for children to learn first-hand the art of film-making at no cost. Children learn how to write, cast, direct, and edit short films. Students select their own subjects, and the school provides all needed professional equipment as well as mentors from the film industry. Each year, up to 50 children participate in this special free program during the school year. The program culminates in our annual Children's Film Festival – a weekend showcasing the best children's films from around the area and the country. The Festival is followed by an on-going series of Community Film Screenings during and after at different sites throughout the area.

**SERVICE AREA**

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Countywide

**FUNDING SOURCE(S)**

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State; Federal; Donations

**FUNDING CYCLE**

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October 1 - September 30

**RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY**

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	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$16,855	\$19,847	\$20,000	\$153
Number of Children Served	40	50	50	0

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### CREATIVE ISLAND (ELEMENTARY) CLASSES

Classes are geared for elementary school children K to 5 years of age with the goal of providing age-appropriate, arts-based enrichment experiences that supplement the academic curriculum. Classes are offered to different age groups targeting their needs. They include math, music, yoga, drawing, digital art, and photography, Girl Scout patches, and theater classes (acting and production) through a partnership with Behind the Curtains Entertainment, among other classes. These classes run in ten week cycles during the after-school and weekend hours. They serve 15 to 30 children per class, and cost \$180 per child. We also offer a number of drop-in arts-based classes and workshops for all age groups free with admission.

### SERVICE AREA

Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

State; Federal; Fees

### FUNDING CYCLE

July 1 - June 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$22,528	\$57,019	\$60,000	\$2,981
Number of Children Served	18	100	100	0



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**CREATIVE ISLAND CAMPS**

Scheduled during school breaks, Miami Children's Museum offers week-long summer, spring, and winter camps for Pre K to 5 students to enjoy theme-based art, science, music, sports, games, dance, and storytelling activities that incorporate our gallery spaces and celebrate the seasons or special holidays. MCM also offers one-day camps throughout the year on special school closing days. The fee for week-long camps is \$180 and for one-day camps is \$45 to \$50. Scholarships are available for low-income children to attend our camps for free. Each camp program serves up to 35 children.

**SERVICE AREA**

Countywide

**FUNDING SOURCE(S)**

Fees; Batchelor Foundation; Bank of America Foundation

**FUNDING CYCLE**

October 1 - September 30

**RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY**

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$103,105	\$96,090	\$110,000	\$13,910
Number of Children Served	1,448	1,600	2,000	400

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### EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASSES

Early childhood enrichment classes are geared for young children (ages 3 to 5) and their caregivers with the goal of providing age-appropriate enrichment experiences and modeling positive child development activities for parents. Miami Children's Museum offers Music Together, Art 2 Start, Kids Yoga, Baby Signs, and others. These classes run in ten week cycles, serve 20 to 30 individuals per class, and cost from \$75 to \$180 per family. We also offer "Creative Corner," a daily afternoon arts and crafts workshop, and a number of other drop-in storytelling classes for all age groups. These drop-in workshops are free with admission.

### SERVICE AREA

Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

County; State; Fees

### FUNDING CYCLE

July 1 - June 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$96,443	\$56,553	\$75,000	\$18,447
Number of Children Served	349	480	520	40



## Miami Children's Museum

### FREE MUSEUM EVENINGS

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On the third Friday of each month, the Museum hosts a Free Museum Evening open to the public but targeting low-income communities. The event includes hands-on art activities, tours of the exhibit galleries, family-centered entertainment, and special themed programs. Programming related to our gallery exhibits, holidays, and/or special monthly themes, such as family literacy (with a children's book fair), health prevention, Halloween, Black History, and safety, among many others. Through this program, we serve approximately 200 to 600 families each month. Sponsorship from corporations and public and private funders is sought to provide outreach, transportation, and/or special themed programming.

### SERVICE AREA

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Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

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County; State; Other; Contributions; Aetna Foundation

### FUNDING CYCLE

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July 1 - June 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

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	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$7,500	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
Number of Children Served	4,800	5,000	5,500	500





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### GROUP TOURS

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Miami Children's Museum has developed curricula for school field trips (pre-K through 5) and hosts school groups on a daily basis. Groups receive a themed tour of our galleries and concurrent programming developed in partnership with educators. All tours are correlated with the Miami-Dade County Public School Competency Based Curriculum (CBC) and Sunshine State standards, involve interdisciplinary science, math, reading, writing, social studies, and the arts, and include grade-appropriate pre/post visit materials. Some examples of our group tour programs are School of Fish (pre-K to 2) examining our marine environment; All in a Day's Work (K to 5), examining different occupations; Arts by Numbers (K to 5), using music and visual aids to examine mathematical ideas; and Many Faces, Many Places (1 to 5), looking at different cultures; among others. Group tours are available daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Friday (with Wednesdays reserved for pre-K and K), last approximately an hour-and-a-half, and cost \$150 per group, with some free tours available for groups with limited funding. Adaptations can also be made for groups with special needs.

### SERVICE AREA

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Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

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Fees; Tiger Woods Foundation

### FUNDING CYCLE

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July 1 - June 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

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	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$40,676	\$173,874	\$175,000	\$1,126
Number of Children Served	32,597	40,000	45,000	5,000

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### PARENT TEACHER RESOURCE CENTER (PTRC)

The Parent Teacher Resource Center is a drop-in resource center that is free and accessible to the general public and museum visitors including up-to-date educational materials addressing issues such as education, child care and safety, family healthcare, and parenting, as well as staff advisement, and a family literacy corner. The PTRC is open Monday to Friday, 4-6 p.m. and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on weekends or upon request.

Miami Children's Museum (MCM) secured grants from the Dade Community Foundation (DCF) and Peacock Foundation to develop PTRC programs that provide training in research-based child development models for parents/caregivers and educators. Through our DCF-funded Caregiver Seminar Series, the PTRC conducts outreach to parent groups in the community and invites parents/caregivers to the museum for monthly free bilingual seminars in topics such as discipline options, baby signs, conflict resolution, adoptive/foster parenting, and scrap booking. During the second year of the program (2005-2006), our program is focused on arts-based literacy models and will include more parent/child activities within the Museum. MCM's Peacock-funded program, which ended in July, provided in-service training and theme-based, hands-on curriculum materials to family childcare workers and early childhood center educators, as well as field trips for their groups.

### SERVICE AREA

Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

State of Florida Family Literacy Initiative

### FUNDING CYCLE

October 1 - September 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$19,241	\$35,137	\$30,000	(\$5,137)
Number of Children Served	60	230	350	120



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**TECH CLUB**

Miami Children's Museum Technology Center contains 20 multi-media computer stations with web access, digital cameras, drawing pads and web design software, graphics and audio/visual editing, and laser printers. The Tech Club is a free after school program designed for children who do not have access to technology resources at home. Students participate in exciting, educational projects including creating their own web pages, digital art, music, and video. Students also receive a free year-long Museum family membership for siblings and parents to participate in Museum activities.

**SERVICE AREA**

Miami

**FUNDING SOURCE(S)**

Institute of Museum and Library Services

**FUNDING CYCLE**

October 1 - September 30

**RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY**

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$25,002	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
Number of Children Served	100	100	100	0

**Miami Children's Museum****TIME OF OUR LIVES AFTER-SCHOOL/SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM**

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In the fall of 2004, Miami Children's Museum (MCM) began providing free after-school and summer camp services for students from Phillis Wheatley Elementary School, a D-rated school in the Overtown community. The program uses theme-based, art-based learning activities to help build social skills, adapting the Peace Education Foundation, and other best practice curricula. The program also incorporates physical fitness, homework assistance, and technology and makes use of the many advantages within the museum setting, including interactive exhibits, drop-in activities, Artist-in-Residence program, and technology lab. This program was rated by The Children's Trust as "excellent" in a 2004-2005 monitoring report, which identified the following strengths: a curriculum that combine arts with literacy and daily living skills; a staff comprised of high-quality professional instructors that are well trained in leading-edge curricula; high levels of attendance and retention; a setting that provides rich cultural and educational resources; a small student-adult ratio; a strong volunteer teen program; an effective behavior management system; and quiet areas for free art exploration and reading. This year, MCM added students from Santa Clara Elementary School in Allapattah to the program.

**SERVICE AREA**

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Allapattah; Overtown

**FUNDING SOURCE(S)**

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Children's Trust

**FUNDING CYCLE**

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June 1 - May 30

**RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY**

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	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$82,164	\$148,000	\$150,000	\$2,000
Number of Children Served	90	100	100	0

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### WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

The Wonderful Wednesday's Storytelling Series is a weekly family literacy workshop at which children and their parents or caregivers read a celebrated book together and afterwards work with an Miami Children's Museum Educator to create a corresponding art project. The Series offers a unique model of literacy development by engaging children as hands-on participants in the story-telling process, empowering them to explore their own creative interpretations. The program opens up the magical world of reading as an active, imaginative pursuit - rather than a passive, academic task which is reinforced as families explore the rest of the museum. The Wonderful Wednesdays Series also promotes family literacy by incorporating reading into family fun, creating a community of families reading together, and modeling concrete strategies for parents and caregivers to teach their children to read. The program is designed primarily for families from low-income communities on the afternoons when the City's "zoned" schools get out early; transportation is provided to some groups. MCM often uses special guest readers, including children's authors, performers, and other volunteers, to host this event.

### SERVICE AREA

Countywide

### FUNDING SOURCE(S)

Tiger Woods Foundation

### FUNDING CYCLE

July 1 - June 30

### RESOURCE ALLOCATION AND SERVICE STATISTICS SUMMARY

	Actual FY 04-05	Budgeted FY 05-06	Estimated FY 06-07	Change from FY 05-06
Total Program Budget	\$0	\$15,000	\$17,500	\$2,500
Number of Children Served	0	950	1,100	150

